

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force all member stations to air a 90-minute political statement, free of commercial support, shows exactly why media consolidation is antithetical to free speech.

In a limited public space, such as the airwaves, where access is specifically restricted by regulation, there **MUST** be some control over political speech. Otherwise, we risk the formation of media monopolies who then control the public political discourse to their advantage.

The FCC must step in and prevent this abuse of media power. You have the authority. Use it for the public good.